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*C. Big Game Hunting.* We allow the hunting of white-tailed deer and feral hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions B1, B3 through B6, B8, B9, and B11 through B13 apply.
2. Hunters may not hunt by aid of or harassment of game for purposes of take for deer or feral hogs.
3. Hunters may only hunt with archery equipment that complies with State regulations and flintlocks .40 caliber or larger.
4. All youth hunters under age 16 must be supervised by a licensed and permitted adult 21 years of age or older, and must remain with the adult while hunting. One adult may supervise no more than one youth hunter.
5. Hunters must report the sex, approximate size, and hunt area for any deer or hogs they harvested from the refuge within 72 hours. Reports must be given by phone or in person to the refuge Visitor Center (256/350-6639) or refuge headquarters (256/353-7243).
6. We prohibit mules and horses on all refuge hunts.
7. You may only hunt feral hog during the refuge archery and flintlock deer season.

*D. Sport Fishing.* We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit bank fishing around the shoreline of the refuge headquarters. Consult with the refuge brochure for further information.
2. We open all other refuge waters to fishing year-round unless otherwise posted.
3. We prohibit fishing in the Waterfowl Display Pool and other waters adjacent to the visitor center.
4. We prohibit airboats and hovercraft on all waters within the refuge boundaries.
5. We prohibit inboard waterthruster boats such as, but not limited to, personal watercraft, watercycles, and waterbikes on all waters of the refuge except that portion of the Tennessee River and Flint Creek from its mouth to mile marker 3.
6. We prohibit mooring and storing of boats from legal sunset to legal sunrise.

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Alaska refuges are opened to hunting, fishing and trapping pursuant to the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (Pub. L. 96-487, 94 Stat. 2371). Information regarding specific refuge regulations can be obtained from the Region 7 Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Anchorage, AK, or by contacting the manager of the respective individual refuge.

### § 32.22 Arizona.

The following refuge units have been opened for hunting and/or fishing, and are listed in alphabetical order with applicable refuge-specific regulations.

#### BILL WILLIAMS RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting.* We allow hunting of mourning and white-winged dove in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow only shotguns for hunting. We limit all shotguns to a maximum three-shell capacity, unless it is plugged with a one-piece filler, incapable of removal without disassembling the gun, so its total capacity does not exceed three shells (see §20.21(b) of this chapter).
2. You may possess only nontoxic shot while hunting in the field (see §32.2(k)).
3. We prohibit hunting within 50 yards (45 m) of any building, road, or levee open to public use.
4. We allow hunting/angling on the refuge only in those areas posted or designated as open. The public hunting area is generally described as south of the Bill Williams Road and east of Arizona State Rt. 95 plus the south half of Section 35, T 11N-R 17W as posted. We close the isolated grow-out cove near the visitor center to fishing as posted.
5. We allow hunting/angling in accordance with State regulations only for the listed species.
6. You may retrieve fish or game from an area closed to hunting or entry only upon specific consent from an authorized refuge employee.
7. We prohibit target practice or any non-hunting discharge of firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter).
8. Anyone for hire to assist or guide a hunter or angler must first obtain, possess, and carry a valid Special Use Permit issued by the refuge manager.
9. We prohibit the construction or use of any pits, permanent blinds, or other structures (see §27.92 of this chapter).
10. All refuge visitors must remove all personal items from the refuge at the end of each day's activity, *i.e.*, boats, equipment,

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cameras, temporary blinds, stands, etc. (see §27.93 of this chapter).

11. Hunters must report accidents involving property damage or personal injury to the refuge manager or authorized Service personnel (see §25.72 of this chapter).

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of quail and cottontail rabbit in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A11 apply.

2. We only allow hunting of cottontail rabbit from September 1 to the close of the State quail season.

*C. Big Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of desert bighorn sheep in Arizona Wildlife Management Areas 16A and 44A in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A4 through A11 apply.

2. In Arizona Wildlife Management Unit 44A, we allow hunting on the refuge only in those areas south of the Bill Williams River Road and east of Arizona State Rt. 95 plus the south half of Section 35, T 11N-R 17W as posted.

3. In Arizona Wildlife Management Unit 16A, we allow hunting for desert bighorn sheep only in those areas north of the Bill Williams River.

*D. Sport Fishing.* We allow fishing in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A4 through A11 apply.

2. We prohibit personal watercraft (PWC as defined by State law), air boats, and hovercraft on all waters within the boundaries of the refuge.

3. We designate all refuge waters as wakeless speed zones (as defined by State law).

4. The nonmotorized watercraft launch and Central Arizona Project (CAP) peninsula are day-use only areas and are open from ½ hour before legal sunrise to ½ hour after legal sunset. We allow fishing and the launching of watercraft at these and other areas 24 hours a day.

5. We prohibit the possession or consumption of open containers of alcohol or the possession of glass beverage containers in improved areas, including the nonmotorized watercraft launch and the CAP peninsula.

### BUENOS AIRES NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting.* We allow hunting of goose, duck, coot, and dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow portable or temporary blinds and stands, but you must remove them at the end of each hunt day.

2. We prohibit the use of flagging tape, reflective tape, or other signs or markers used to identify paths or to mark tree stands, blinds, or other areas.

3. The No-Hunt Zones include all Service property east of milepost 7 of Arivaca Road within the Arivaca Creek Management Area, all Service property in Brown Canyon, all Service property within ¼ mile (.4 km) of refuge residences, and the posted No-Hunt Zone encompassing refuge headquarters and area bounded by the 10-mile (16 km) Pronghorn Drive auto tour loop.

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of rabbit, coyote, and skunk on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following condition: Conditions A1 through A3 apply.

*C. Big Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of mule and white-tailed deer, javelina, and feral hog on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. You may only hunt feral hog during big game seasons. Each hunter must possess and carry a valid hunting license and big game permit for the season in progress. There is no bag limit.

2. Conditions A1 through A3 apply.

*D. Sport Fishing.* [Reserved]

### CABEZA PRIETA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting.* [Reserved]

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* [Reserved]

*C. Big Game Hunting.* Hunting of desert bighorn sheep is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following condition: Entry permits are required.

*D. Sport Fishing.* [Reserved]

### CIBOLA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting.* We allow hunting of geese, ducks, coots, moorhens, common snipe, and mourning and white-winged doves on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow only shotguns.

2. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field.

3. You must obtain a permit to enter the Island Unit.

4. You must pay a hunt fee in portions of the refuge. Consult refuge hunting leaflet for locations.

5. We do not allow pit or permanent blinds.

6. You may hunt only during seasons, dates, times, and areas posted by signs and/or indicated on refuge leaflets, special regulations, and maps available at the refuge office.

7. You must remove all temporary blinds, boats, and decoys from the refuge following each day's hunt.

8. We do not allow hunting within 50 yards (45 m) of any public roads or levees.

9. We close Farm Unit 2 to all hunting except goose hunting during the Arizona waterfowl season.

10. Consult the refuge hunt leaflet for the shot limit.

11. The area known as Pretty Water is open to waterfowl hunting from ½ hour before sunrise to 3:00 p.m. MST during the Arizona and California waterfowl seasons.

12. The Hart Mine Marsh area is open to hunting from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily during goose season.

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of quail and cottontail rabbit on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow only shotguns and bows and arrows.

2. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field.

3. You may hunt cottontail rabbit from September 1 through the last day of the respective State's quail season.

4. During the Arizona waterfowl season, you may not hunt quail and rabbit in Farm Unit 2.

5. You may not hunt within 50 yards (45 m) of any public road.

*C. Big Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of mule deer on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. For units open to mule deer hunting, refer to current Big Game hunt brochure.

2. You may not hunt within 50 yards (45 m) of any public road.

*D. Sport Fishing.* We allow sport fishing and frogging subject to the following condition: Cibola Lake is open to fishing and frogging from March 15 through Labor Day.

#### HAVASU NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds.* We allow hunting of mourning and whitewinged dove, duck, coot, moorhen, goose, and common snipe on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit falconry.

2. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)).

3. You may not hunt within 50 yards (45m) of any building or public road.

4. We prohibit target shooting or the discharge of any weapon except to hunt.

5. We prohibit possession of firearms except while hunting.

6. We prohibit the construction or use of pits and permanent blinds (see §27.92 of this chapter).

7. You must remove temporary blinds, boats, hunting equipment, and decoys from the refuge following each day's hunt (see §§27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter).

8. We prohibit retrieving game from closed areas. You may retrieve game from areas closed to hunting, but otherwise open to entry, as long as you possess no firearms or other means of take.

9. Anyone hired to assist or guide hunter(s) must obtain, possess, and carry a valid Special Use Permit issued by the refuge manager.

10. We prohibit hunting on those refuge lands within the Lake Havasu City limits.

11. The following conditions apply only to Pintail Slough (all refuge lands north of North Dike):

i. We require a fee for waterfowl hunting. You must possess proof of payment (refuge permit) while hunting.

ii. Waterfowl hunters must hunt within 25 feet (7.5 m) of the numbered post of their assigned blind.

iii. We limit the number of persons at each waterfowl hunt blind to three. Observers cannot hold shells or guns unless in possession of a valid State hunting license and stamps.

iv. We limit the number of shells a waterfowl hunter may possess to 25.

v. Waterfowl hunters must possess at least 12 decoys per blind.

vi. You may use only dead vegetation or materials brought from off refuge for making or fixing hunt blinds. We prohibit the cutting, pulling, marking or removing vegetation (see §27.51 of this chapter).

vii. Waterfowl hunters must be at their blind at least 45 minutes before legal shoot time and not leave their blind until 10:00 am MST.

viii. We allow waterfowl hunting on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Waterfowl hunting ends at 12:00 p.m. (noon) MST. Hunters must be out of the slough area by 1:00 p.m. MST.

ix. We allow hunting in the juniors-only waterfowl season.

x. We allow dove hunting only during the September season.

12. The following conditions apply to all waters of the lower Colorado River within the Havasu NWR:

i. We close designated portions of Topock Marsh to all entry from October 1 through the last day of the waterfowl hunt season (including the State junior waterfowl hunt). These areas are indicated in refuge brochures and identified by buoys and/or signs.

ii. We prohibit hunting in the waters of the Colorado River and on those refuge lands within ¼ mile (.4 km) of the waters of the Colorado River from and including Castle Rock Bay north to Interstate 40.

iii. We allow hunting on refuge lands and waters south of Castle Rock Bay to the north boundary of the Lake Havasu City limits.

13. We prohibit the use of all air-thrust boats and/or air-cooled propulsion engines, including floating aircraft.

14. Hunting dogs must be under the immediate control of the hunter at all times.

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of quail and cottontail rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 through A10, A11vi., and A12 apply.

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2. We prohibit the possession or use of rifles.

3. We allow hunting of quail in Pintail Slough prior to and following the State waterfowl season (The State waterfowl season includes the State general waterfowl season, the days between the juniors-only waterfowl hunt and the general State waterfowl season, and the juniors-only waterfowl hunt.).

4. We allow hunting of cottontail rabbit in Pintail Slough prior to and following the State waterfowl season (The State waterfowl season includes the State general waterfowl season, the days between the juniors-only waterfowl hunt and the general State waterfowl season, and the juniors-only waterfowl hunt.).

*C. Big Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of bighorn sheep on those refuge lands in Arizona Wildlife Management Area 16B in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A3 through A9 and A12ii apply.

*D. Sport Fishing.* We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations (Colorado River specific regulations apply) subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit the use of all air-thrust boats or air-cooled propulsion engines, including floating aircraft.

2. We prohibit overnight boat mooring and shore anchoring unless actively fishing as defined by State regulations (see §27.93 of this chapter).

3. Anyone hired to assist or guide anglers must obtain, possess, and carry a valid Special Use Permit issued by the refuge manager.

4. The following apply only on Topock Marsh:

i. We close designated portions to all entry from October 1 through the last day of the waterfowl hunt season (including the State junior waterfowl hunt).

ii. We close designated portions to all entry from April 1 through August 31. These areas are indicated in refuge brochures and identified by buoys and or signs.

iii. We prohibit personal watercraft (PWC, as defined by State law).

5. The following apply to all waters of the Colorado River within Havasu NWR from the south regulatory buoy line to the north regulatory buoy line at Interstate 40 (approximately 17 miles [27.2 km]).

i. We prohibit personal watercraft (PWC, as defined by State law) as indicated by signs or regulatory buoys in all backwaters.

ii. We limit watercraft speed as indicated by signs or regulatory buoys to no wake (as defined by State law) in all backwaters.

iii. We prohibit water-skiing, tubing, wake boarding, or other recreational-towed devices.

6. The following apply to the improved areas within Havasu NWR. Improved areas consist of the Mesquite Bay areas, Castle Rock, the Diving Cliffs, Catfish Paradise, Five Mile Landing and North Dike.

i. We prohibit entry of all motorized watercraft in all three bays of the Mesquite Bay area as indicated by signs or regulatory buoys.

ii. Improved areas are day-use only and are open from ½ hour before legal sunrise to ½ hour after legal sunset. Fishing and the launching of watercraft are permitted at these and other areas 24 hours a day.

iii. We prohibit the possession or consumption of open containers of alcohol or the possession of glass beverage containers in improved areas.

### IMPERIAL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Hunting of Migratory Game Birds.* We allow hunting of mourning and white-winged dove, duck, coot, moorhen, goose, and common snipe on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. Pits and permanent blinds are not allowed.

2. Temporary blinds, boats and decoys must be removed from the refuge following each day's hunt.

3. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field.

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of quail, cottontail rabbit, coyote, and fox on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. Allowed methods of take for quail and cottontail rabbit are shotgun and bow and arrow.

2. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while hunting quail and cottontail rabbit (see §32.2(k)).

3. We allow cottontail rabbit hunting from September 1 to the close of the State quail season.

4. We allow coyote and fox hunting only during the State quail season.

*C. Big Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of mule deer and desert bighorn sheep on designated areas of the refuge.

*D. Sport Fishing.* We allow fishing and frogging for bullfrog on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following condition: We close posted portions of Martinez Lake and Ferguson Lake to entry from October 1 through the last day of February.

### KOFA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting.* [Reserved]

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* Hunting of quail, cottontail rabbit, coyote, and fox is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:

1. Hunting of coyote, fox, and cottontail rabbit is permitted during the State quail season only, except as provided below.

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2. Hunting of coyote and fox is not permitted during the deer season except that deer hunters with valid Unit 45A, 45B, and 45C deer permits may take these predators until a deer is taken.

3. Allowed method of take of cottontail rabbits is shotgun only.

*C. Big Game Hunting.* Hunting of mule deer and desert bighorn sheep is permitted on designated areas of the refuge.

*D. Sport Fishing.* [Reserved]

### SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting.* We allow hunting of mourning and white-winged dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow only shotguns.

2. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see §32.2(k)).

*B. Upland Game Hunting.* We allow hunting of quail and cottontail rabbit on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Conditions A1 and A2 apply.

2. Cottontail rabbit season shall open on September 1 and close on the last day of the State quail season.

*C. Big Game Hunting.* [Reserved]

*D. Sport Fishing.* [Reserved]

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## § 32.23 Arkansas.

The following refuge units have been opened for hunting and/or fishing, and are listed in alphabetical order with applicable refuge-specific regulations.

### BALD KNOB NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

*A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting.* We allow hunting of duck, goose, coot, snipe, woodcock, and dove on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We require refuge hunting permits. The permits (found on the front cover of the annual hunt brochure/permit—signature required) are nontransferable, and anyone on refuge land in possession of hunting equipment must sign, possess, and carry the permits at all times.

2. We prohibit migratory game bird hunting in the Farm Unit during the Quota Gun Deer Hunt.

3. With the exception of hunting for woodcock, we prohibit migratory game bird hunting after 12 p.m. (noon) during the regular State waterfowl hunting season.

4. We allow hunting for woodcock daily throughout the State seasons.

5. We prohibit commercial hunting/guiding.

6. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot shells for hunting while in the field (see §32.2(k)) in quantities of 25 or fewer. The possession limit includes shells located in/on vehicles and other personal equipment. The field possession limit for shells does not apply to goose hunting during the State Conservation Order.

7. We prohibit hunting closer than 100 yards (90 m) to another hunter or hunting party.

8. You must remove decoys, blinds, boats, and all other equipment (see §27.93 of this chapter) daily by 1 p.m.

9. Waterfowl hunters may enter the refuge at 4 a.m.

10. Boats with the owner's name and address permanently displayed or displaying valid registration may be left on the refuge from March 1 through October 31. We prohibit the use of boats from 12 a.m. (midnight) to 4 a.m. during duck season.

11. Hunters may use and possess only biodegradable materials to mark trails.

12. We prohibit building or hunting from permanent blinds. We prohibit driving or screwing any metal object into a tree or hunting from a tree in which a metal object has been driven or screwed to support a hunter (see §32.2(i)).

13. We prohibit cutting of holes or manipulation of vegetation (*i.e.*, cutting bushes, mowing, weed-eating, herbicide use, etc.) and hunting from manipulated areas (see §27.51 of this chapter).

14. We allow use of dogs for migratory game bird hunting.

15. We allow waterfowl hunting from refuge roads and levees.

16. Any hunter born after 1968 must carry a valid hunter education card. An adult at least age 21 must supervise hunters under age 16 and remain within sight and normal voice contact with the youth. Hunters under age 16 do not need to have a hunter education card if they are under the direct supervision (within arm's reach) of an adult (at least age 21) holder of a valid hunting license. An adult may supervise up to two youths for migratory bird and upland game hunting but may supervise only one youth for big game hunting. We will honor home State hunter education cards.

17. We prohibit target practice or non-hunting discharge of firearms (see §27.42 of this chapter).